

McLEAN GUILTY; MAKES PLEA TO ESCAPE PRISON

Whitman Consents to Clemency After Appeal by His Counsel.

ADMITS HE TOOK CORPORATION CASH

Friend of Murphy Will Not Reveal Names of Those Who Got Funds.

AGAIN INDICTS FOWLER

Grand Jury Acts So Whitman May Appeal if Court Decides He Has No Jurisdiction.

Arthur A. McLean, of Newburgh, treasurer of the Democratic State Committee, a local supporter of Charles F. Murphy, and a power in upstate party affairs, pleaded guilty in the Supreme Court yesterday to a charge of accepting a campaign contribution from a corporation. The crime is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$1,000 or imprisonment for one year or both, but after listening to pleas for clemency by John B. Stanchfield and ex-Judge Morgan J. O'Brien, McLean's counsel, and letters from many of McLean's friends, Justice Vernon M. Davis suspended sentence.

The indictment was found last month by the special grand jury investigating state highway graft. The evidence was given last November in the John Doe inquiry by Harold V. Owens, secretary-treasurer of the Dale Engineering Company of Utica, and by Matthew Van Alstyne, treasurer of the Shaughnessy Construction Company of Albany, who testified that McLean accepted in the 1912 campaign contributions of \$400 and \$1,000 respectively from these corporations. McLean pleaded not guilty on December 15.

Whitman Consents to Clemency. It is said that pressure was brought to bear upon Mr. Whitman by influential men in both parties to drop the prosecution against McLean. When Mr. Stanchfield and Mr. O'Brien saw the indictments on the checks in their client's handwriting they were convinced that conviction was inevitable and at once made overtures to Whitman to consent to a suspension of sentence or at least a fine instead of imprisonment.

Whitman assured Justice Davis that McLean had not profited by his wrongdoing, and in view of his sixty-one years and his reputation a prison sentence would amount to cruelty. The indictments, he said, were the first to be found in the state since the enactment of the law of 1906 and the conviction in the case of McLean would undoubtedly prevent its violation in the future.

"I am willing," he said, "to assume responsibility for recommending that sentence in this case should be suspended."

The attitude of the District Attorney started a rumor that McLean would "tell all." Mr. Whitman after adjournment of court said he believed that McLean was disposed to render any assistance he could in conducting the staff inquiry, but he intimated that whatever evidence he might be able to

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BILL FOR WOMEN POLICE

Introduced in Jersey House—
Suffrage Amendment, Too.

[From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.]
Trenton, N. J., Jan. 13.—Women "cops" are provided for in the first bill introduced to-day in the Assembly. Assemblyman Branegan, the Democratic leader, introduced the measure, and if his colleagues think as much about the bill as he does it won't be long before uniformed women "cops" will be patrolling the streets of some New Jersey cities. The bill gives the right to any municipality in New Jersey to appoint women to its regularly organized police force.

Mr. Branegan says he has enough votes pledged to pass the bill in the House. He also introduced an amendment to the constitution providing for woman suffrage in New Jersey.

STAYS GONE, STAYS COLD

Collector of Certificates Wears
Em for Warmth, Tells Police.

Edward Mann—note the name—an actor, living at No. 104 East 127th street, was arrested at Third avenue and 128th street last night, charged with robbing the cigar store at No. 2128 Third avenue last Thursday morning. It is said he took sixty thousand certificates and several pipes, totalling in value \$1,500. The police found certificates in every pocket and all about in his home.

In the East 126th street police station Detectives Conroy and Enright were searching him, when Conroy's hand touched something metallic. He sprang back.

"Knife or gun?" he exclaimed.

"Try again," laughed Mann. Conroy did, and found Mann wearing corsets.

"I wore them to keep warm," said Mann. Nevertheless, the cruel police deliberately took them away and put Mann in a cell. He shivered all night.

WEDDED ON PEAK; WILL GET DIVORCE

Hermit of the Mesas Tires of
Simple Life Marriage
to Sculptress.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Denver, Jan. 13.—Beatrice Farnham Otto, who two years ago entered into a simple life marriage with John Otto, nationally known as the "hermit of the mesas," through her attorneys has dismissed her contest of her husband's divorce suit. As a result Otto will be granted a decree at Grand Junction, Col., this week.

The couple married two years ago on top of Independence peak, a high rock in Monument Canon. Miss Farnham, a Boston sculptress, known for her portrayals of Indian life, had met "her hero" in Arizona. After the ceremony they planted an acorn at a spring and declared their love should endure as long as the oak should grow.

Three weeks later, after living "the simple life" in the open, she left him. Otto waited a year and sued, alleging desertion. She filed an answer, but its dismissal to-day leaves the case undecided. It comes up to-morrow or next day. Otto says he will make startling revelations.

NEW TUBERCULOSIS CURE

Intestinal Surgery Used with
Success in Several Cases.

[By Cable to The Tribune.]

London, Jan. 14.—An astonishing operation for tuberculosis has been performed at Guy's Hospital, and so successful has it proved that it seems bound to revolutionize the whole practice of operative surgery. For a long time past it has been recognized that the excessive multiplication of noxious bacteria in the larger intestine and the inability of the body to eliminate them formed the predisposing cause of many diseases.

A surgeon at Guy's Hospital conceived the idea that if only a small portion of the larger intestine were left it could carry on all the necessary processes until the smaller intestine and the stomach were able to adapt themselves to the altered conditions. Accordingly a child who appeared to be in the final stages of what was believed to be an incurable form of tubercular joint disease was operated on, the larger intestine with the exception of some nine inches being removed and the portion left joined to the smaller intestine.

The result was astonishing. In a week's time the internal organs had resumed all their normal functions, and in a few weeks the patient was apparently in perfect health again. The discovery is regarded as one of the most epoch-making in the annals of surgery.

BAREFOOTED, WOMAN WALKS TO CHURCH

Spanish Actress Makes Street
Pilgrimage of Four Miles to
Fulfill Sacred Vow.

[By Cable to The Tribune.]

Madrid, Jan. 13.—Pilar Guerrero, perhaps the most popular actress of Spain, gave to the people of Seville, her native town, a big surprise to-day by walking more than four miles from her home to the church barefooted, in fulfillment of a promise made to the Virgin for a certain special benefit.

As soon as the news spread through the town a big crowd accompanied her. Following a general custom, young cavaliers took off their overcoats and capes and spread them on the ground as rugs for her to walk on.

FRANKS PLAYED BY THE WINTER'S FIERCEST GALE.



LAVA BURIES WHOLE VILLAGES

Tidal Wave Adds Its Terrors to Great Earthquake in Japan.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE FEARED IN KAGOSHIMA

Ashes Six Inches Deep—Population in Panic Takes to the Water in Junks.

Nagasaki, Japan, Jan. 13.—Despair and panic reigned among the inhabitants of Kagoshima, at the southern end of the island of Kyushu, when the volcano of Sakurajima broke into eruption yesterday, burying villages in streams of lava.

The eruption started with columns of thick black smoke and flame from the crater of Sakurajima. The inhabitants of the small island in the Gulf of Kagoshima where Sakurajima is situated rushed to the beach and leaped on board junks and steamers, which carried them across three miles of water to Kagoshima, ashes and particles of lava falling all the while on the decks.

At Kagoshima the heat was intense, and a hail of glowing cinders made it impossible for the citizens to remain. The horror was increased by the shaking caused by incessant shocks of earthquake, which rocked the houses all day.

The populations affected number many thousands, the island of Sakurajima alone having 15,000 inhabitants, while the City of Kagoshima at the last census had more than 60,000.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—A tidal wave added its terrors to the earthquakes and eruption which struck Kagoshima, in Southern Japan, yesterday, according to official advices. Hundreds of houses were destroyed or damaged and many people killed or injured.

The full extent of the disaster could not be ascertained this morning, as all communication was cut off from the stricken district south of Kumamoto, eighty or ninety miles north of Kagoshima, and even the Navy Department was unable to obtain a wireless report from the warships sent to the scene, although many messages were dispatched to them.

Ashes to the depth of six inches have fallen in the seaport of Miyazaki, on the east coast of Kyushu.

The big postoffice building at Kagoshima collapsed during the earthquakes and tidal wave.

Sakurajima, which is in violent eruption, is destroying life and devastating property over extended areas in Kyushu, the southernmost island of the main Japanese group. This volcano has been quiescent for more than a century, although it rears its crated peak in a veritable land of volcanoes.

Directly to the south of it on one of the three lower tips of Japan stands Kaimon-dake, which is constantly active, while directly north of it are Kirishimayama and Shiratorisan. Both are active, and from the former in 1895 came a tremendous and destructive outburst.

Sakurajima occupies almost the exact center of a small round island in the Gulf of Kagoshima and directly in front of the city of Kagoshima, capital of the province of Satsuma. It is 4,000 feet high and before the present eruption had two craters. One of these had been closed and silent for many years; the other, a huge, ragged opening in the mountain crest, has for centuries given off small quantities of steam.

Fragmentary dispatches that come in over a telegraph and telephone service that has been destroyed at several points indicate there has been heavy loss of life in Kagoshima and its vicinity.

The army, the navy, the state owned railway system and the steamship companies will unite in a series of relief expeditions by land and sea, and these will be backed by citizens' movements everywhere.

NEPHEW OF MURPHY PAID FOR NO WORK

John J. Still on City Payroll, with Little to Do—Controller Prendergast to Act.

Controller Prendergast may hold up the pay of John J. Murphy, nephew of Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall. The young man, who is the son of the late "Jack" Murphy, former leader of the 12th Assembly District, has been on the payroll of the Supreme Court since January 1, 1907. He is listed as a "judiciary clerk."

This is the title held by those who act as secretaries to the justices. The pay is \$3,500 a year.

Mr. Murphy acted as secretary to James W. Gerard, Ambassador to Germany, who resigned from the bench in August. In December the Controller received a complaint that Mr. Murphy was still on the payroll, although there was little work for him to do since the resignation of Justice Gerard.

An investigation showed that Mr. Murphy reported regularly and did anything he was asked to do, but there seemed little to be done. The Controller thought that the charter would not uphold him in paying the salary of an employee for whom there seemed to be no work.

TONS OF FOWL TIED UP

Kosher Meat Butchers to Join
in Poultry Workers' Strike.

Leaders of the Poultry Workers' Union announced last night that more than 2,000,000 pounds (1,500 tons) of kosher poultry are tied up already as a result of the strike of the butchers, and that by the end of the week the amount of kosher poultry tied up will be almost 10,000,000 pounds. The announcement was also made that 1,000 kosher meat butchers will to-day go out on strike. The butchers demand that their "bosses" employ only rabbis who are members of the union to kill poultry. Demands for a minimum wage of \$14 a week, shorter hours and recognition of the union are also made.

THREE FIREMEN DIE IN BOSTON BLAZE

One Missing. Another Fatally
Burned—Hundreds Driven
From Their Homes.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Boston, Jan. 14.—Three firemen were burned, another is missing and one was fatally burned in a fire which broke out in the center of the Roxbury business district early this morning.

Hundreds of families were driven into the streets in their night clothing, and firemen were forced to battle against one of the most dangerous fires in the city in years, while the temperature stood at 8 degrees below zero.

ICY GALE SWEEPS EAST; LINER ON ROCKS; 120 ABOARD

Royal Mail Steamer Cobequid Aground Off
Nova Scotia.

GRAND MANAN LEDGES SCENE OF DISASTER

Help Approaching Fast in
the Form of Ten or a
Dozen Vessels.

RADIO FAILED EARLY

Kronprinzessin Cecilie Appealed
To for Aid—Full Moon May
Facilitate Search.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 13.—A wireless cry for help from the Royal Mail steamer Cobequid, fast on the dreaded ledges of Grand Manan, received just before dawn to-day, was followed five hours later by a final flicker of her radio saying that the ship was filling. There are 120 persons on board.

The Cobequid was bound for St. John, N. B., from the British West Indies, in command of Captain Hawson, completing her first round trip over this route. She had a crew of 102 men, a number of second class passengers, and the following in the first class cabin: L. S. Navarro, L. Botta, W. C. Zoller, Mrs. Zoller and child. She had called at Bermuda, but most of her passengers were from points south of there.

Up to dark no trace of the distressed vessel had been found on the east shore of the Bay of Fundy, where she was first reported aground, nor could a glimpse be had through the vapor which shrouded the west side of Grand Manan, on one of whose numerous ledges it was later believed she rested. Ten or a dozen rescue boats at that time were reported racing toward the spot.

It was expected that some of the steamers would be off Gannet Rock Light by midnight, and that the American revenue cutter Woodbury would reach the scene by 5 a. m. Hope was felt that they would be able to sight the Cobequid, as there was a bright moon and the gale to-night seemed to be subsiding.

Approaching the Bay of Fundy, famous for its swift tides and mountainous seas, a blizzard descended on the steamer. Captain Hawson was heading for Gannet Rock Light, the guide to the western side of the bay, and a warning of the ledges, which stretch ten miles to the southward of Grand Manan.

Cry at Sunrise for Help.

It was about sunrise when the operator at the wireless station at Cape Sable, across the bay, picked up the Cobequid's cry for help. The message said that the vessel had struck a ledge off Brier Island, which is on the east side of the bay, and needed immediate assistance. For the next few hours fragmentary messages were received from the stranded steamer, one of which said that the forward hold was filling. At 9:40 a. m. came the last gasp of the fading wireless, to the effect that the engine room was flooded, that the batteries were exhausted and that the operator was unable to get any more sparks.

In the mean time both the Canadian and American governments had begun active measures for rescue. The big German liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie, off Sable Island, on her way to New York, was urged to change her course and head for the Cobequid, two hundred miles to the northward.

The government steamer Lady Laurier was sent from this port for the run of 150 miles to Grand Manan. The steamers Belvidere, Helena and Lansdowne were asked to help, and the American revenue cutter Woodbury, in command of Lieutenant Ridgely, on her way from Portland to Rockland, was ordered to steam full speed for Brier Island.

Cable Ship Forty Miles Away.

Toward night it was discovered that the cable steamer Tyrian was at anchor behind Campbell, only forty miles from Gannet Rock Light, and a message was sent to her skipper, urging him to proceed immediately to the aid of the Cobequid.

When the keeper of the Brier Island Light was notified of the accident, in the hope that he might give some information regarding her, he replied that he saw no trace of the Cobequid. This was subsequently confirmed by the steamer John L. Cann, which made a circuit of the island during the day. On a re-reading of the first message from the Cobequid the opinion was reached that the navigator was at a loss as to the real position of the steamer, and that she was in reality on the west side of the bay.

Unfortunately communication with Grand Manan had been cut off some time before through the breaking of the cable, so that no information could be obtained from there.

The Cobequid was formerly the steamer Goth, and had been pressed into the winter service from the Maritime Provinces to the tropics. She

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Frozen Bodies Are Found in Streets—Mercury Falls to Four Below.

CHAUFFEUR DEAD ON WOMAN'S AUTO

Man Blown Into River Is
Lifeless When Rescuers
Pull Him Out.

DIES AT WAGON SHAFT

Throgs Seek Shelter from Zero
Weather—Charities Pressed
—Many in Hospitals.

The glacial period weather that set some to tangoing on skates brought tragedy as well as merriment yesterday, for the fifty-mile gale that danced across the city bore both misery and death.

The wind drove the mercury in the Weather Bureau thermometer down to 4 degrees below zero at 9:10 p. m., and there it remained at midnight.

One death that had a touch of the spectacular was that of Frank E. Berry, a chauffeur, who was found sitting dead at the steering wheel of the big, comfortable limousine car he drove for Mrs. Elizabeth Eaton, of Detroit.

Mrs. Eaton, who is visiting at the home of Dr. Edward Russell, of No. 323 East 80th street, was attending a concert with her daughter at Carnegie Hall, Berry, wearing a heavy fur overcoat, had been waiting outside for them about two hours, when Patrolman Fleming, who had passed him several times, noticed that his eyes were shut. Thinking he was asleep and it would be best to rouse him, Fleming shook him. An ambulance surgeon whom he called gave exposure as the cause of death. Dr. Russell said later that as far as he knew Berry was in normal health.

While the ambulance surgeon was examining the man, Mrs. Eaton and her daughter came out of the concert to find their chauffeur dead. He left a widow and three children in Detroit.

Blown Into River, Dies.

Another death, due directly to the force of the wind, was that of James McElroy, of No. 694 West 175th street, employed as a mate on the Hudson River boat C. W. Morse. Late yesterday afternoon, as he was leaving the boat as she lay at West 55th street, he was blown by a sudden gust of wind off the gangplank into the water. A number of men on the pier made a lasso and managed to get it about his neck as he was struggling in the water, but by the time he was pulled out on to the dock he was dead from exposure.

The body of a man supposed to be H. Keller was found early in the morning in the hallway at No. 206 First avenue. He was seen entering the hallway about 4 o'clock, and at 8 o'clock his body was discovered by Samuel Goldstein. His pockets were empty except for a crust of bread. Identification was through a cloth tag attached to his shirt.

The body of Walter Hoag, a driver for Plock & Company, butchers, living on Evergreen avenue, near Bleeker street, Brooklyn, was found standing against the shaft of the wagon he was driving outside Brooklyn College, Crown Heights. He had just delivered a basket at the college.

In Yonkers the winter's first death from the cold in that city was reported to the police by A. S. Tomlinson, of No. 4 Cornell avenue, who found the body of Mrs. Annie Johnson, of No. 32 Palisade avenue, huddled behind a large billboard fence near his home. She had evidently crept there on her way home the night before to seek shelter from the wind and had been overcome by the cold.

John J. O'Brien, of No. 281 Grant avenue, Grantwood, employed as night watchman at telephone headquarters in Cliffside, was found lying unconscious outside the building he was hired to guard by two young men on their way to work. A doctor was summoned and he was sent to a hospital, but he died two hours later. It was thought he fell and succumbed to the cold while unconscious. He left a wife and four children.

Many Accidents Due to Cold.

In addition to the deaths reported there were numerous injuries caused by the wind, and many suffering from exposure to the cold were taken to the hospitals. Joseph Block, a plumber, of No. 341 Snediker avenue, Brooklyn, was blown under an automobile truck in front of No. 148 Lafayette street and both legs were broken. He was wheeled a pushcart containing his plumber's tools when a blast of wind hurled him under the truck. It was said at St. Vincent's Hospital, where he was taken, that his legs were so badly crushed it would probably be necessary to amputate them at the knees.

Another to be blown under a vehicle was William Barrett, of No. 250 West 34th street. As he was crossing 35d street at Seventh avenue his overcoat was blown over his head, and he stepped in front of an automobile

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